

Training and Technical
Assistance for Current
Employees, Service Providers
and Community Partners

Special Topic Workgroup

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MHSA Workforce Education and
Training

Stakeholder Recommendations

- Consumers and family members to co-train and provide presentations – need to be trained as trainers
- Expand existing Wellness Recovery Action Plan (WRAP), California Association for Psychosocial Rehabilitation Association (CASRA), National Alliance for Mentally Ill (NAMI), United Advocates for Children of California (UACC) training
- Train how to provide recovery oriented services and successfully bill Medi-Cal

CMHPC Recommendations

The Planning Council recommended distinguishing training for new staff versus existing staff:

- New Staff: Create an interdisciplinary task force to determine the best approach to improving the curricula of undergraduate and graduate behavioral health education
- Existing Staff: DMH to partner with the California Institute of Mental Health (CIMH) to ensure training consistent with the intent of the Act

Workgroup Strategies

- Continue and expand current statewide training and technical assistance, as appropriate:
 - CIMH support of CSS plans
 - Cultural competency training through Multi-Cultural Advisory Committee
 - UACC Educate, Equip and Support Building Hope train the trainer
 - NAMI Peer to Peer, Family to Family
 - CNMC Self-Help Technical Assistance Center
 - DMH/DOR Cooperative Program Consultant Cadre to promote employment of consumers in mental health

Workgroup Strategies (2)

- Develop and maintain a list of training and technical assistance tracks appropriate to MHSA
- Develop principles for consideration for approving, conducting and evaluating any training and technical assistance under the auspices of the MHSA

Next Steps

- Teleconference(s) to review and expand upon workgroup's initial list of training tracks and guiding principles
- Workgroup to meet again on August 17th to review teleconference products and discuss options at the state and regional level for addressing ongoing fidelity to the Act